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SENATOR MARESH: Well that's the way, we're opposed to it, too, the farmers are required to buy pesticides, those same pesticides. We still don't know which are the restricted pesticides and it may very well be pesticides you have been using for years may be called restricted pesticides and you will have to go to school to be able to buy them at the grocery store.

SENATOR SYAS: Well what I was suggesting, you don't do anything this year. \$225,000 according to "A" bill there, alot of money when you are not sure.

SENATOR MARESH: That's why I think this body needs to know this will not only affect farmers but affect every homeowner that has a garden or lawn and wishes to use pesticides that may eventually be a restricted pesticide.

SENATOR SYAS: All my neighbors, if you may ask for that various insects in lawns use some type of pesticide.

SENATOR MARESH: That's right. We have to watch the legislation because this will affect everybody that has a garden or lawn.

PRESIDENT: Senator Frank Lewis, did you want to speak on Jack Mills amendment?

SENATOR FRANK LEWIS: No, I move the question on Jack Mills amendment and others. I think we have discussed it up and down and I'm prepared to vote.

PRESIDENT: Alright, do I see 5 seconds? I do. The question is, shall debate cease on Jack Mills amendment. Record your vote. Have you voted? Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 2 nays to cease debate.

PRESIDENT: Debate ceases. Senator Jack Mills, will you close debate?

SENATOR MILLS: Okay. Mr. President and members of the legislature, I think this has brought but to some of your attention now what a serious piece of legislation these 2 or 3 sheets are. What it's really saying is part of what the bill 332 tried to say, is that if there is a problem then the farmers such as Senator Dickinson using those dangerous, dangerous chemicals should have to take a little training. But what we are going to do is we are going to take \$225,000, give it to the Department of Agriculture and mandate that every commercial applicator take a prerequisite course for his certification. I don't, I've had alot of people in agriculture tell me that they're scared if we don't pass this that we are going to be in problems. So I'm giving you the opportunity to really put it a little more in line with what the EPA is going to require. And they require everybody to go to school. That's what this amendment will do. So here's a chance to really say what is true or not. If you want them to go to school, adopt the amendment, if you want to tell them they don't have to, let it alone.

PRESIDENT: The question is the adoption of Jack Mills amendment. Record your vote. Have you voted? Have you all voted? Record.